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Avian Influenza in Turkey

In early October 2005, Turkey reported its first ever occurrence of H5N1 highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI). The outbreak occurred in the western province of Balikesir, in a flock of turkeys. The government reacted quickly and a total of 10,147 backyard poultry were slaughtered between October 8 and October 16, 2005. Turkey declared the outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza had ended on December 8, 2005.

In late December an outbreak was reported in four backyard flocks in Igdir province in eastern Turkey, near the borders with Armenia, Iran and Azerbaijan. According to OIE, the actual start of the outbreak is likely to have been November 25, 2005. Outbreaks of avian influenza in backyard flocks have been reported in provinces ranging from the remote, rural eastern edge of Turkey through central Turkey and into the more urbanized western Turkey.

Outbreaks of H5N1 in Turkey

Date of the start of the outbreak	Administrative Division		No. Animals in outbreaks
	First	Lower	
Nov 25 05	Agri	Eleskirt	5,601
Nov 27 05	S. Urfa	Hilvan	300
Nov 29 05	Agri	Hamur	1,260
Dec 15 05	Igdir	Aralik	2,386
Dec 28 05	Igdir	Merkez	2,287
Dec 30 05	Erzurum	Horasan	4,439
Dec 31 05	Agri	Dogubeyazit	12,365
Jan 2 06	Erzurum	Senkaya	324
Jan 2 06	Yozgat	Akadmadeni	717
Jan 2 06	Erzurum	Merkez	4,330
Jan 6 06	Bursa	Gursu	120
Total			34,129

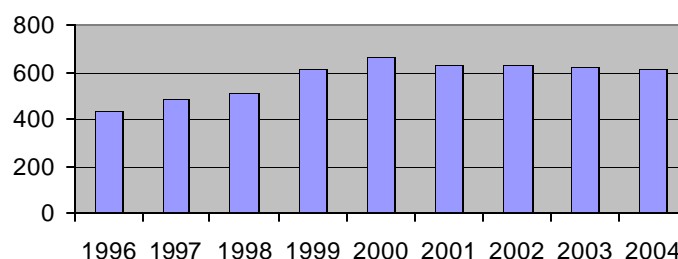
All poultry in the protection zone were killed and destroyed and their owners compensated. All susceptible animals in Agri and Igdir have been killed and destroyed in accordance with a decision taken by the National Disease Control Center.

On January 12, the Agriculture Ministry said that about 355,000 birds had been destroyed. Residents in southeastern Turkey have become more aware of the health problems associated with sick poultry and some have even said they will quit raising poultry. Turkey applied a quarantine for animals in 25 of Turkey's 81 provinces. HPAI has been confirmed in 12 provinces and is suspected in an additional 13 provinces.

Many of the outbreaks have been in poor rural mountainous areas, where people breed poultry in their homes and often take them indoors during the winter. In the eastern region of Anatolia, mountains exceed 2500-3000m. Temperatures can reach -30 C to -38 C and snow may lie on the ground 120 days of the year. Winters are bitterly cold with frequent heavy snowfall and villages in the area sometimes remain isolated for several days during winter storms. Severe weather delayed a team of officials from the World Health Organization trying to reach the eastern village of Dogubayazit, in Agri Province, this month.

According to the Turkey Poultry Association, there are about 150 million birds used for commercial purposes in Turkey (120 million broilers and 30 million layers). Total sales in the broiler and egg sectors are \$2.2 billion and \$600 million, respectively. After the first outbreak of HPAI in October, 2005 broiler sales fell 75 percent and poultry prices fell from 2.2 YTL per kg to 1.3 YTL kg a week later. At that time, major poultry and feed trading companies indicated they planned to cut poultry production about 35-40 percent. About a ten percent reduction was expected in poultry production in CY 2006.

Poultry Meat Production in thousand metric tons cwe



FAO urged neighboring countries such as Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Iraq, Iran and Syria to be on high alert, to apply surveillance and control measures and to ensure the public is fully informed about the avian influenza risk.

Other countries in the area are taking additional precautions. Iran closed a border crossing with Turkey and Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia banned the import of Turkish poultry. Europe banned the import of poultry and feathers from all six countries bordering eastern Turkey: Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Syria, Iran and Iraq. Russia tightened its borders with Georgia and Azerbaijan and urged Russians not to visit Turkey.

Source: United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, World Health Organization, World Organization for Animal Health, USDA/FAS, news wires

Japan Imports: Frozen Broilers (in MT)

	U.S.	China	Brazil	Thailand	Total
2004					
August	3,891	40	25,808	2	29,741
September	5,526	134	25,469	0	31,129
October	4,807	92	22,019	9	26,927
YTD	19,886	8,247	232,700	12,249	273,082
2005					
August	1,571	53	36,450	15	38,089
September	1,973	49	32,750	4	34,776
October	2,425	17	37,073	5	39,520
YTD	22,948	875	318,708	57	342,588

Source: Agriculture & Livestock Industries Corporation (ALIC)

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending December 31, 2005		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004
Liquid	262	207	17,657	20,746
Frozen	0	0	130	39
Dried	40	40	902	953
Total	302	247	18,689	21,738

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending December 31, 2005		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004
Liquid	27	26	6,546	7,715
Frozen	0	4	823	1,612
Dried	0	0	371	2,149
Total	27	30	7,740	11,476

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending December 31, 2005		Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004
Jumbo	0	0	200	392
Extra Large	2,330	2,100	188,721	234,666
Large	4,230	2,320	316,676	477,943
Medium	802	750	100,809	142,841
Ungraded	0	0	232,678	340,611
Misc	0	0	9,753	17,740
Total	7,362	5,170	848,837	1,214,193

1/ Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

2/ Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section
Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch.**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

Jan 13, 2006

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED

--- PRICES ---		---- VOLUME ----		
FAT				
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	20.00	40,800	-
WTD AVERAGE		20.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	16.50-21.00	11.00-16.00	1,017,000	264,800
WTD AVERAGE	18.88	13.75		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

U.S./Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

W/E 31-Dec-05 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	984	1,173	2,157
Last Week	1,472	1,297	2,769
Same week yr ago	1,345	1,287	2,632
To-date/2005	73,492	73,316	146,808
To-date/2004	70,858	70,509	141,367

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	209	0	209
Last Week	244	2	246
Same week yr ago	127	11	138
To-date/2005	13,019	62	13,081
To-date/2004	12,766	169	12,935

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Total U.S. Fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	1,193	1,173	2,366
Last Week	1,716	1,299	3,015
Same week yr ago	1,472	1,298	2,770
To-date/2005	86,511	73,378	159,889
To-date/2004	83,624	70,678	154,302

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

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Jan 13, 2006

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED

--- PRICES ---		---- VOLUME ----		
FAT				
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	17.00-18.00	360,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		17.56		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.00-21.00	14.50-17.00	2,084,000	1,404,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.94	15.68		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	80,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 13 JANUARY 2006.

The market tone on tom drums was steady to fully steady with fresh in the strongest position. Demand moderate to good, best on fresh for domestic and export shipments. Offerings light. The market tone on tom full-cut wings was steady to instances weak and attempting to settle, tom necks and 2-joint wings steady to barely steady. Demand moderate to good on tom full-cut wings into export channels at the lower trending price levels, domestic light. Demand on tom necks moderate into export channels, domestic light. Offerings of tom necks and wings adequate to ample. Trading was active on tom wings for export and on plant grade 4-8 lb. breasts for mostly deferred shipments, balance slow to moderate. For domestic: fresh tom wings 25, fresh wing meat with skin 75, fresh scapula 113-116, fresh breast trim 148, Grade A basted 8-10 lb. breasts 135 and 12-16 lb. breasts 160 cents delivered For export: fresh tom drums 40, tom defatted gizzards 59, fresh thigh meat 97, jumbo fries 170 cents delivered.

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME	WEEKLY	WEEKLY
FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)	PRICE	VOLUME
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	40.00		40.00	40	37.51	834
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	25.50		25.50	416	25.68	1,016
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		R	19.50	104	19.50	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		R	94.67	120	92.96	333

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME
THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		W	37.50	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	25.00-25.50		25.36	144
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	19.50		19.50	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	94.00-96.00		94.67	120

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	37.50		37.50	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	23.50-28.00		25.95	456
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	92.00	213

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	37.00-38.00		37.32	249
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	28.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	92.00		92.00	213

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME
MONDAY, JANUARY 09, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	37.00-38.00		37.40	441
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	28.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	96.00	40

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.